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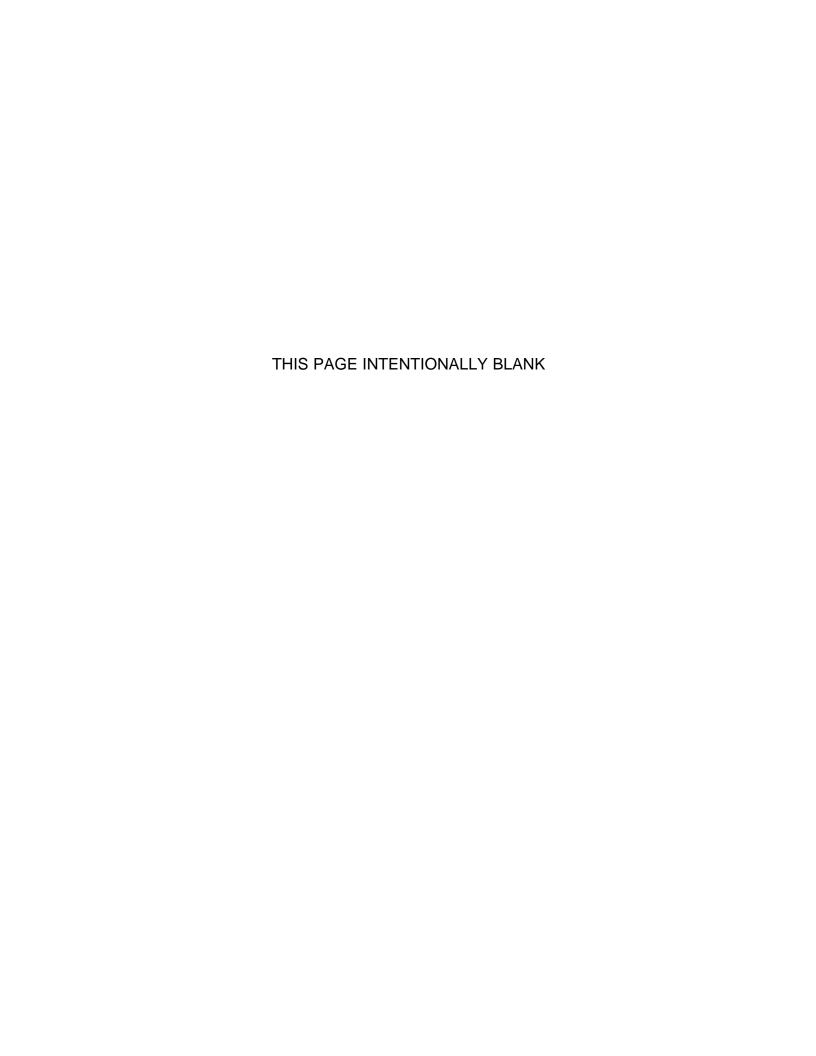
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## Replacement

# **OPERATOR'S** MANUAL



## Broadmoor / 1600 / 2600 Series

#### **14HP Hydro Lawn Tractors**

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| 1692416    | Broadmoor 14HP Hydro                 |
| 1692422    | Broadmoor 14HP V-Twin Hydro (Export) |
| 1692424    | Broadmoor 14HP Hydro (Export)        |
| 1692430    | 1614VH, 14HP V-Twin Hydro            |
| 1692432    | 1614H, 14HP Hydro                    |
| 1692497    | 2614H, 14HP Hydro                    |
| 1692772    | Broadmoor, 14HP V-Twin Hydro         |
| 1692778    | Broadmoor, 14HP Hydro (Export)       |
| 1692809    | 1614H, 14HP V-Twin Hydro             |
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| 1692434  | 1615G, 15HP Gear             |

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| 1692774  | Broadmoor, 15HP Hydro         |
| 1692811  | 1615H, 15HP Hydro             |
| 1692815  | 2615H, 15HP Hydro             |
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| 1692776  | Broadmoor, 16HP V-Twin Hydro  |
| 1692813  | 1616H, 16HP V-Twin Hydro      |
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#### 38" Mower Decks

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## **A** WARNING

Engine exhaust from this product contains chemicals known, in certain quantities, to cause cancer, birth defects, or other reproductive harm.

## Tractor & Mower Identification \_\_\_\_\_

## **IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS**

Record your model number, manufacturer number and engine serial number in the space provided for easy reference. The tractor I.D. tag is located on the left-side, front of the frame, as shown below. The mower deck I.D. tag is also on the left side, on top of the mower deck.

Refer to the engine Owner's Manual for location of engine serial number.

Be sure to fill out and return the Warranty Registration Card supplied with your tractor.

| MODEL REFERENCE                   |
|-----------------------------------|
| Model Number:                     |
|                                   |
| Manufacturer Number:              |
|                                   |
| Engine I.D. Number:               |
| De alea Name / Deta Denah as a de |
| Dealer Name/Date Purchased:       |
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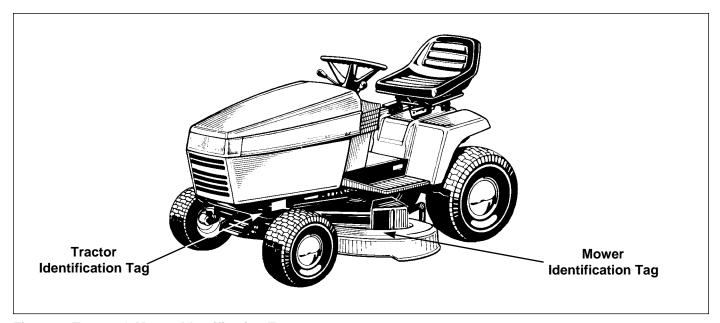


Figure 1. Tractor & Mower Identification Tags



Read these safety rules and follow them closely. Failure to obey these rules could result in loss of control of rider, severe personal injury or death to you, or bystanders, or damage to property or equipment. This mowing deck is capable of amputating hands and feet and throwing objects. The triangle A in text signifies important cautions or warnings which must be followed.

## **GENERAL OPERATION**

- Read, understand, and follow all instructions in the manual and on the unit before starting.
- Only allow responsible adults, who are familiar with the instructions, to operate the unit.
- Clear the area of objects such as rocks, toys, wire, etc., which could be picked up and thrown by the blade(s).
- Be sure the area is clear of other people before mowing. Stop unit if anyone enters the area.
- Never carry passengers.
- Do not mow in reverse unless absolutely necessary. Always look down and behind before and while travelling in reverse.
- Be aware of the mower discharge direction and do not point it at anyone. Do not operate the mower without either the entire grass catcher or the deflector in place.
- Slow down before turning.
- Never leave a running unit unattended. Always disengage the PTO, set parking brake, stop engine, and remove keys before dismounting.
- Turn off the PTO switch to disengage the blades when not mowing.
- Stop engine before removing grass catcher or unclogging chute.
- Mow only in daylight or good artificial light.
- . Do not operate the unit while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Watch for traffic when operating near or crossing roadways.
- Use extra care when loading or unloading the unit into a trailer or truck.

#### SLOPE OPERATION

Slopes are a major factor related to loss-of-control and tip-over accidents, which can result in severe injury or death. All slopes require extra caution. If you cannot back up the slope or if you feel uneasy on it, do not mow it.

WARNING - SLOPE OPERATION

Never operate on slopes greater than 30 percent
(16.7°) which is a rise of three feet vertically in 10 feet horizontally. When operating on slopes that are greater than 15 percent (8.5°) but less than 30 percent use front counterweights and rear wheel weights (see your dealer). Select slow ground speed before driving onto slope. In addition to front and rear weights, use extra caution when operating on slopes with rearmounted grass catcher. Mow UP and DOWN the slope, never across the face, use caution when changing directions and DO NOT START OR STOP ON SLOPE.

#### Do

- · See your authorized dealer for recommendations of wheel weights or counterweights to improve stability.
- Mow up and down slopes, not across.
- · Remove obstacles such as rocks, tree limbs, etc.
- · Watch for holes, ruts, or bumps. Uneven terrain could overturn the unit. Tall grass can hide obstacles.
- Use slow speed. Choose a low gear so that you will not have to stop or shift while on the slope.
- Use extra care with grass catchers or other attachments. These can change the stability of the unit.
- Keep all movement on the slopes slow and gradual. Do not make sudden changes in speed or direction.

#### Do Not

- Do not start or stop on a slope. If tires lose traction, disengage the blade(s) and proceed slowly straight down the slope.
- Do not turn on slopes unless necessary, and then, turn slowly and gradually downhill, if possible.
- Do not mow near drop-offs, ditches, or embankments. The mower could suddenly turn over if a wheel is over the edge of a cliff or ditch, or if an edge caves in.
- Do not mow on wet grass. Reduced traction could cause sliding.
- Do not try to stabilize the unit by putting your foot on the ground.
- Do not use grass catcher on steep slopes.

## **Safety Rules**

## **CHILDREN**

Tragic accidents can occur if the operator is not alert to the presence of children. Children are often attracted to the unit and the mowing activity. Never assume that children will remain where you last saw them.

- Keep children out of the mowing area and under the watchful care of another responsible adult.
- Be alert and turn unit off if children enter the area.
- Before and when backing, look behind and down for small children.
- Never carry children. They may fall off and be seriously injured or interfere with safe unit operation.
- Never allow children to operate the unit.
- Use extra care when approaching blind corners, shrubs, trees, or other objects that may obscure vision.

## TRANSPORTING AND STORAGE

- Always observe safe refueling and fuel handling practices when refueling the tractor after transportation or storage.
- Always follow the engine manual instructions for storage preparations before storing the tractor for both short and long term periods.
- Always follow the engine manual instructions for proper start-up procedures when returning the unit to service.
- Never store the unit or fuel container inside where there is an open flame or pilot light, such as in a water heater. Allow unit to cool before storing.

## SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE

- Use extra care in handling gasoline and other fuels. They are flammable and vapors are explosive.
- a) Use only an approved container.

- Never remove gas cap or add fuel with the engine running. Allow engine to cool before refueling. Do not smoke.
- c) Never refuel the unit indoors.
- · Never run a unit inside a closed area.
- Keep nuts and bolts, especially blade attachment bolts, tight and keep equipment in good condition.
- Never tamper with safety devices. Check their proper operation regularly.
- Keep unit free of grass, leaves, or other debris buildup. Clean up oil or fuel spillage.
- Stop and inspect the equipment if you strike an object. Repair, if necessary, before restarting.
- Never make adjustments or repairs with the engine running unless specified otherwise in the engine manufacturer's manual.
- Grass catcher components are subject to wear, damage, and deterioration, which could expose moving parts or allow objects to be thrown. Frequently check components and replace with manufacturer's recommended parts, when necessary.
- Mower blades are sharp and can cut. Wrap the blade(s) or wear gloves, and use extra caution when servicing them.
- Check brake operation frequently. Adjust and service as required.
- Use only factory authorized replacement parts when making repairs.
- Always comply with factory specifications on all settings and adjustments.
- Only authorized service locations should be utilized for major service and repair requirements.
- Never attempt to make major repairs on this unit unless you have been properly trained. Improper service procedures can result in hazardous operation, equipment damage and voiding of manufacturer's warranty.

## **GENERAL**

This unit has been designed and manufactured to provide you with the safety and reliability you would expect from an industry leader in outdoor power equipment manufacturing.

Although reading this manual and the safety instructions it contains will provide you with the necessary basic knowledge to operate this equipment safely and effectively, we have placed several safety labels on the unit to remind you of this important information while you are operating your tractor.

All WARNING, CAUTION and instructional messages on your tractor and mower should be carefully read and obeyed. Personal bodily injury can result when these instructions are not followed. The information is for your safety and it is important! The safety decals shown below are on your tractor and mower.

If any of these decals are lost or damaged, replace them at once. See your local dealer for replacements.

These labels are easily applied and will act as a constant visual reminder to you, and others who may use the equipment, to follow the safety instructions necessary for safe, effective operation.



Decal - Operating Information Part No. 1708280



Decal - Release Valve (Hydro units only) Part No. 1708918



Decal - Danger Part No. 1704277



Part No. 1704276

Figure 2. Decals

## TRACTOR CONTROLS

| REF | NAME                                                                                                                                                                                    | FUNCTION                                                                                                                                                                                                  |  |  |
|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
| Α   | Choke (Twin Cylinder Only)                                                                                                                                                              | Pull out to close choke. Aids in starting a cold engine.                                                                                                                                                  |  |  |
| В   | Engine Speed Control Lever  Controls engine speed. On single cylinder models, push fully forward to close choke. For warm starts & stopping, move control lever to START/STOP position. |                                                                                                                                                                                                           |  |  |
| С   | Headlight Switch                                                                                                                                                                        | Push front down to turn headlight on, push back to turn headlight off.                                                                                                                                    |  |  |
| D   | Headlight Indicator Light (Blue)                                                                                                                                                        | Indicates headlights on when lit.                                                                                                                                                                         |  |  |
| E   | Oil Pressure Indicator Light (Red)<br>(not on Briggs & Stratton 15 HP)                                                                                                                  | Indicates low oil pressure (when engine is running). Lights up with ignition key (L) turned on. Should go out immediately after engine starts.                                                            |  |  |
| F   | Operator Seated Indicator Light (Green)                                                                                                                                                 | Indicates operator present and seat switch engaged. Must be lit for engine to start. For more details, refer to Safety Interlock System.                                                                  |  |  |
| G   | Neutral Indicator Light (Green)                                                                                                                                                         | Indicates transmission lever (J) is in neutral gate. Must be lit for engine to start.                                                                                                                     |  |  |
| Н   | PTO Indicator Light (Red)                                                                                                                                                               | Indicates PTO switch (I) is on. Must be off for engine to start.,                                                                                                                                         |  |  |
| I   | PTO (Electric Clutch) Switch                                                                                                                                                            | Controls PTO for attachments. Pull up to engage clutch, push down to disengage. Activates PTO light (H).                                                                                                  |  |  |
| J   | Ground Speed Control Lever                                                                                                                                                              | Controls ground speed and forward/reverse motion. Push forward to go forward; pull back to go in reverse. On hydro models, ground speed is controlled by how far lever is in forward or reverse position. |  |  |
| K   | Parking Brake Control Knob                                                                                                                                                              | Engages parking brake. Depress clutch/brake pedal (N) fully and pull up knob to engage parking brake. To disengage brake, depress pedal and push knob down.                                               |  |  |
| L   | Ignition Switch                                                                                                                                                                         | Starts and stops the engine.                                                                                                                                                                              |  |  |
| М   | Mower Lift Control Lever                                                                                                                                                                | Lifts and locks mower into transport position when lever is raised and moved into top position.                                                                                                           |  |  |
| N   | Clutch/Brake Pedal                                                                                                                                                                      | Press down to disengage clutch and apply brake. For parking brake, depress pedal fully and lift control knob (K). Pedal must be depressed to start tractor.                                               |  |  |
| 0   | Dual Position Steering Shaft (Shown with steering wheel removed)                                                                                                                        | Steering wheel can be installed in two different positions for operator comfort.                                                                                                                          |  |  |

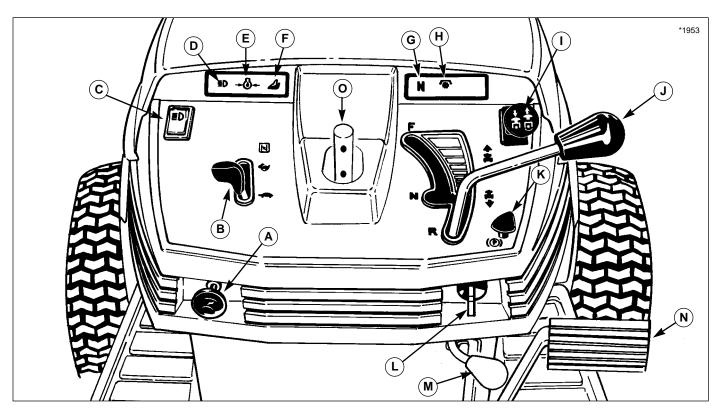


Figure 3. Tractor Controls (Hydro Model Shown)

## **TRACTOR & MOWER FEATURES**

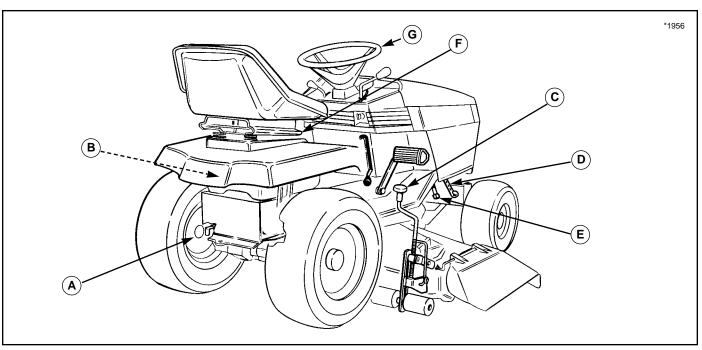


Figure 4. Tractor & Mower Features - Hydro Model Shown

| REF. | NAME                                           | FUNCTION                                                                                                     |  |  |  |
|------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| А    | Transmission Release Lever (Hydro models only) | Disengages transaxle in order to push tractor by hand. See PUSHING TRACTOR BY HAND in the Operation section. |  |  |  |
| В    | Fuel Tank with Gauge                           | 4 gallon (15.1L) fuel tank with built-in gauge in filler cap (located under the seat).                       |  |  |  |
| С    | Mower Height Adjuster                          | Controls height of mower cut. Infinitely adjustable from 1" to 3-5/8" cutting heights.                       |  |  |  |
| D    | Hood Latch                                     | Rubber straps secure hood to frame. Release strap on each side to raise engine hood.                         |  |  |  |
| E    | Oil Drain                                      | Oil drain extension tube allows for engine oil to be drained from underneath tractor frame.                  |  |  |  |
| F    | Seat Lever                                     | Releases seat for forward/back seat position.                                                                |  |  |  |
| G    | Dual Position Steering Wheel                   | Steering wheel can be installed in two separate positions for operator comfort. See Adjustments section.     |  |  |  |

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## **ENGINE COMPARTMENT**

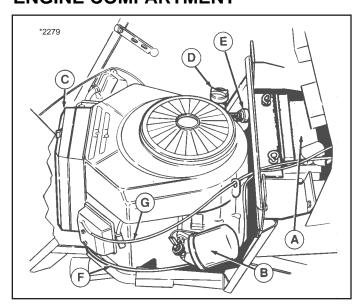


Figure 5. Engine Compartment - 14 HP or 16 HP Briggs & Stratton Twin Cylinder Engine

- A. Battery
- B. Oil Filter
- C. Air Filter
- D Oil Fill/Dipstick
- E. Fuel Filter
- F. Throttle Cable
- G. Choke Cable

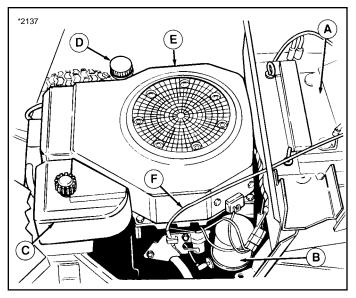


Figure 6. Engine Compartment

- 14 HP or 15 HP Kohler Single Cylinder Engine
- A. Battery
- B. Oil Filter
- C. Air Filter
- D Oil Fill/Dipstick
- E. Fuel Filter
- F. Throttle/Choke Cable

### SAFETY INTERLOCK SYSTEM

Your tractor is equipped with a seat switch safety system that will automatically shut the engine off when the operator leaves the seat with the transmission control lever in gear or PTO engaged. Once the engine has stopped, the electric PTO switch must be turned off after operator returns to the seat in order to start the engine.

Check operation of dash safety lights. With operator in seat and ignition switch turned to ON (engine not running):

- A. Neutral Indicator Light (G, figure 3) should go on with transmission lever in neutral gate and should go out when lever is moved to either the forward or reverse gate.
- B. PTO Indicator Light (H, figure 3) should go on and off with operation of PTO switch.
- C. Oil Pressure Indicator Light (E, figure 3, if equipped) should be on and should go out immediately after engine starts.
- D. Operator Seated Indicator Light (F, figure 3) should go on when operator is present in the seat and should go off as operator rises out of the seat.

Check the seat switch (A, figure 7) every fall and spring with the following four tests:

## Test 1 - Engine should NOT crank if:

- A. seat is not occupied or
- B. transmission lever out of neutral or
- C. PTO switch engaged or
- D. clutch/brake pedal not fully depressed.

## Test 2 - Engine should crank if:

- A. seat is occupied and
- B. transmission lever is in neutral and
- C. PTO switch is disengaged and
- D. clutch/brake pedal is fully depressed.

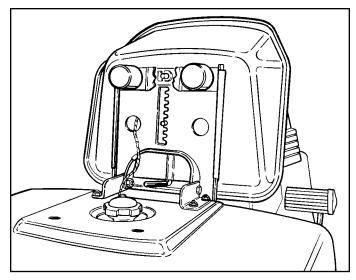


Figure 7. Seat Switch A. Switch

B. Wiring Harness

## Test 3 - Engine should shut off if:

- A. operator rises off seat with transmission lever in gear or
- B. operator rises off seat with clutch/brake pedal not depressed (parking brake on) or
- C. operator rises off seat with PTO engaged.

NOTE: If operator returns to seat before engine stops, the engine will re-start and electric PTO clutch will re-engage.

## Test 4 - PTO will disengage if:

A. operator rises off seat with engine running.

NOTE: If operator returns to seat before engine stops, the engine will resume speed and electric PTO clutch will re-engage.

## **WARNING**

If the tractor does not pass the test, do not operate tractor. See your authorized dealer. Under no circumstance should you attempt to defeat the purpose of the safety system.

### **GENERAL**

Before operating this tractor for the first time, the owner should operate in an open area without mowing, to become accustomed to the unit. The left side of the mower can be used to trim close to objects. Be sure to read all information in the Safety and Operation sections before attempting to operate this tractor and mower.

**WARNING - SLOPE OPERATION** Never operate on slopes greater than 30 percent (16.7°) which is a rise of three feet vertically in 10 feet horizontally. When operating on slopes that are greater than 15 percent (8.5°) but less than 30 percent use front counterweights and rear wheel weights (see your dealer). Select slow ground speed before driving onto slope. In addition to front and rear weights, use extra caution when operating on slopes with rearmounted grass catcher. Mow UP and DOWN the slope, never across the face, use caution when changing directions and DO NOT START OR STOP ON SLOPE.

## **WARNING**

Never allow passengers to ride on the unit.

## **WARNING**

Towing the tractor will cause transmission damage. Do not use another vehicle to push or pull tractor.

## WARNING

To reduce fire hazard, keep the engine and mower free of grass, leaves and excess grease.

## WARNING

The interlock safety switches are for your safety. Do not attempt to bypass them.

## MOWER INSTALLATION

#### WARNING

Stop engine and remove key. Do not engage PTO until mower is completely installed and operator is seated.

NOTE: Perform mower installation on a hard, level surface such as a concrete floor.

- 1. Park tractor and turn off PTO switch and engine, remove the key and apply parking brake. Turn the wheels fully to the left.
- 2. Place mower in the lowest cutting position using the mower height adjuster (B, figure 11). Place the mower lift lever (A, figure 11) in the lowest position, also. Slide mower deck under right side of tractor so that mower hitch is aligned with front tractor hitch.
- 3. See figure 8. Turn wheels straight. Pull back on the spring-loaded lever (B) while lifting up on the mower hitch. Install mower hitch onto tractor hitch brackets (A). When properly installed, the spring-loaded lever should seat fully underneath the brackets.
- 4. See figure 9. Connect the mower lift arm (A) to the tractor lift arm (B) using the flat washer (C) and safety clip (D).
- 5. See figure 10. On left side of tractor, move idler arm (A) to relieve belt tension. Install belt onto the PTO pulley (B).

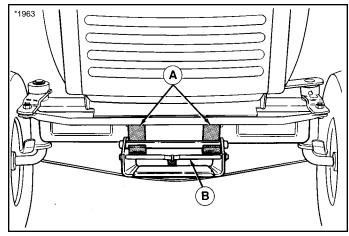


Figure 8. Mower Hitch A. Tractor Hitch Brackets B. Spring-Loaded Lever

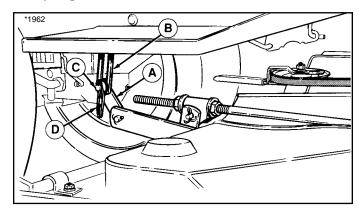


Figure 9. Lift Arms

(Viewed from underneath right side of tractor)

- A. Mower Lift Arm
- C. Flat Washer
- B. Tractor Lift Arm
- D. Safety Clip

NOTE: On 38" mowers, push idler arm towards right side of tractor to relieve belt tension. On 44" mowers, pull idler arm towards you (left side of tractor) to relieve belt tension.

## **MOWER REMOVAL**

## **WARNING**

Stop engine and remove key. Do not engage PTO until mower is completely removed and operator is seated.

- Park tractor on a hard, level surface such as a concrete floor. Turn off PTO switch and engine, remove the key and apply parking brake. Turn the wheels fully to the left.
- 2. Place mower in the lowest cutting position using the mower height adjuster (B, figure 11).
- 3. Place the mower lift lever (A, figure 11) in the lowest position.
- 4. Disconnect the mower lift arm from the tractor lift arm (figure 9). Re-install washer and safety clip on mower lift arm for storage.
- 5. Remove belt from PTO pulley.
- 6. Turn wheels straight ahead. Pull back on springloaded lever (figure 8) and lift mower hitch off of the tractor brackets.
- 7. Turn wheels fully left, and slide mower deck out right side of tractor.

### OPERATING THE MOWER

- 1. When traveling to or from the work site, fully raise the mower using the mower lift lever (A, figure 11). At the work site, lower mower using the lift lever.
- 2. Use the mower height adjuster (B, figure 11) to set the proper mowing height. See Mowing Patterns & Tips section for cutting height recommendations.

## CHECKS BEFORE STARTING

- Make sure you have proper wheel or counterweights if required. See SLOPE OPERATION in the Safety Rules section. Make sure any slopes are within required limits.
- Check that crankcase is filled to full mark on dipstick.See the engine Operator's Manual for instructions and oil recommendations.
- 3. Make sure all nuts, bolts, screws and pins are in place and tight.

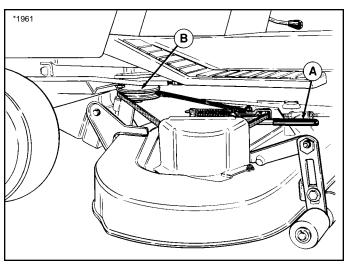


Figure 10. Installing Belt A. Idler Arm

**B. PTO Pulley** 

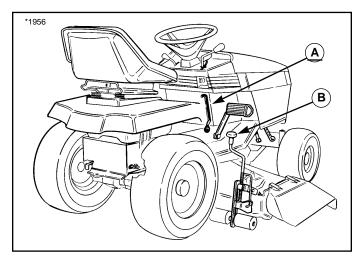


Figure 11. Raising & Lowering Mower

A. Mower Lift Lever

B. Mower Height Adjuster

- Make sure you can reach all controls from operator's positions. If not, see SEAT ADJUSTMENT.
- Fill the gasoline tank with fresh gasoline. Fill to bottom of filler neck to avoid spillage and overflow. DO NOT mix oil with gasoline. Refer to engine manual for gasoline recommendations.

## WARNING

Gasoline is highly flammable and must be handled with care. Never fill the tank when the engine is still hot from recent operation. Do not allow open flame, smoking or matches in the area. Avoid over-filling and wipe up any spills.

### CLUTCH/BRAKE PEDAL OPERATION

- See figure 12. Depressing the pedal to position A disengages the transmission drive. On hydro models, depressing the pedal also returns the transmission control lever to neutral. Fully depressing the pedal to position B applies the tractor brake.
- 2. Parking brake is applied at pedal position B when parking brake control knob (C, figure 12) is pulled up with pedal fully depressed.

## STARTING THE ENGINE

Refer to figure 13.

- Seat yourself on the tractor seat in the operating position. Set the parking brake using the clutch/brake pedal (N) and parking brake knob (K).
- 2. Push down on the switch (I) to disengage the PTO and place the ground speed control lever (J) in neutral.
- 3. For cold starts, pull choke knob (A, twin cylinder models) out or set the engine speed control (B, single cylinder models) to the choke position. For warm starts, set engine speed control lever at 1/2 throttle position (single cylinder) or leave choke knob (twin cylinder) pushed in.

NOTE: On Kohler single cylinder engines, engine speed control lever should not be held in the choke position for more than 5-10 seconds or the engine could be flooded. Once the engine has started, quickly move the control lever out of the choke position.

- 4. Turn the key (L) to start and release when engine has started.
- Move the engine speed control lever (B) to the slow position. Warm up the engine by running it for at least a minute before engaging the PTO or driving the tractor.

## SELECTING GROUND & ENGINE SPEED

## **MARNING**

Make sure desired direction of travel is clear of objects, people and animals.

On hydro models, ground speed is infinitely variable according to how far the control lever (J, figure 13) is moved in the forward or reverse position.

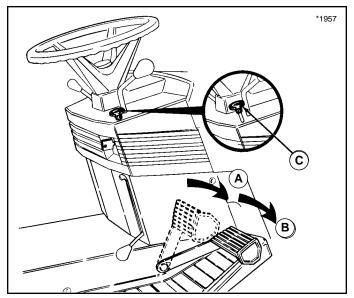


Figure 12. Clutch/Brake Pedal and Parking Brake
A. Clutch disengages
C. Parking Brake Knob
B. Brake is applied

On gear models, ground speed is selected by moving the control lever (J, figure 13) to the appropriate gear selection. Most mowing is done in 3rd or 4th gear with engine speed between 3/4 and full speed. If the terrain is rough, hilly or sloping, use first or second gear. If the grass is wet or over 3" (76mm) high, use full engine speed (with low gear) so the mower will have enough power to cut the grass. Shift gears only with tractor stopped and clutch/brake pedal fully depressed.

- If you are ready to mow, lower the mower from the transport position using lever (A, figure 11) and set the mowing height using the mowing height adjuster (B, figure 11).
- 2. Set the engine speed control lever (B, figure 13) for full speed.
- 3. Use the PTO switch (I) to engage the PTO.
- Release the parking brake by depressing clutch/brake pedal (N, figure 13) and pushing knob (K) down.
- 5. On hydro models, move the ground speed control lever (J, figure 13) to the desired direction and speed of travel to set the tractor in motion.
  - On gear models, depress clutch/brake pedal, use the ground speed control lever to select the proper gear for conditions, then slowly release clutch/brake pedal to set the tractor in motion.
- Adjust engine speed control lever (B, figure 13) to the desired speed. Between 3/4 and full speed is recommended for mowing.

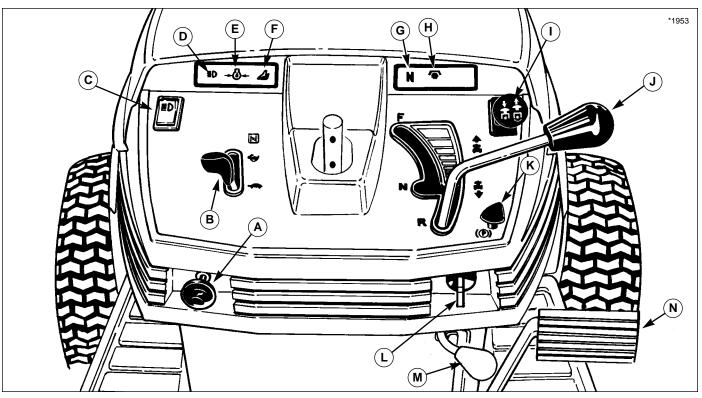


Figure 13. Tractor Controls - Hydro Model Shown

- A. Choke (Twin Cylinder only)
- B. Engine Speed Control Lever
- C. Headlight Switch
- D. Headlight Indicator Light (Blue)
- E. Oil Pressure Indicator Light (Red) (not on Briggs & Stratton 15 HP)
- F. Operator Seated Indicator Light (Green)

#### STOPPING THE TRACTOR

 On hydro models, move the ground speed control lever (J, figure 13) into the NEUTRAL position to make a gradual stop. To make a more rapid stop, depress the clutch/brake pedal (N, figure 13).

NOTE: On hydro models, the ground speed control lever will return to neutral automatically when the clutch/brake pedal is depressed.

On gear models, press the clutch/brake pedal (N, figure 13) down only far enough to disengage the clutch to make a gradual stop. For a more rapid stop, press pedal down farther to apply the brake. Move the ground speed control lever to NEUTRAL before releasing the pedal.

2. Engage the parking brake by fully depressing clutch/brake pedal and pulling up on parking brake knob (K, figure 13).

- G. Neutral Indicator Light (Green)
- H. PTO Indicator Light (Red)
- I. PTO Switch
- J. Ground Speed Control Lever
- K. Parking Brake Knob
- L. Ignition Switch
- M. Mower Lift Lever
- N. Clutch/Brake Pedal
- 3. Use the PTO switch (I, figure 13) to disengage the PTO.
- 4. Set the engine speed control lever (B, figure 13) to 1/2 throttle setting and allow the engine to idle for 20 seconds. Stopping a hot engine too fast may cause engine damage.
- 5. Turn key (L, figure 13) to OFF and remove it.

## **MARNING**

Before leaving the operator's position for any reason, engage the parking brake, disengage the PTO, stop the engine and remove the key.

## **A** WARNING

To reduce fire hazard, keep the engine, tractor and mower free of grass, leaves and excess grease. Do not stop or park tractor over dry leaves, grass or combustible materials.

## **PUSHING THE TRACTOR BY HAND**

## **Hydro Models**

- 1. With engine off and key removed, use the PTO switch (I, figure 13) to disengage the PTO.
- 2. Place the mower in the transport position (up) using the mower lift lever (M, figure 13).
- See figure 14. The release lever is located under the rear tractor frame, above the transaxle. Release lever must be in the rearward position to push the tractor by hand.
- 4. To drive the tractor, release lever must be moved completely forward to engage the DRIVE position.

#### **Gear Model**

- 1. With engine off and key removed, use the PTO switch (I, figure 13) to disengage the PTO.
- 2. Place the mower in the transport position (up) using the mower lift lever (M, figure 13).
- 3. Place the ground speed control lever (J, figure 13) in the neutral position.
- 4. Unlock the parking brake.

## **WARNING**

Do not tow the tractor. Damage will result to the transmission/transaxle.

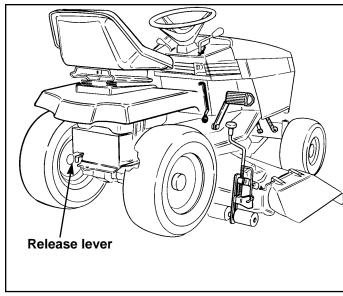


Figure 14. Transaxle Release Lever

## **Mowing Patterns & Tips**

## **GENERAL**

For the first use of the mower, choose a smooth level area. Cut long straight strips overlapping slightly.

The size and type of area to be mowed determines the best mowing pattern to use. Obstructions such as trees, fences and buildings must also be considered. Where possible, make one or two passes in a counterclockwise direction around the outside of the area to keep the cut grass off fences and walks. The remainder of the mowing should be done in a clockwise direction so the clippings are dispersed on the cut area.

Keep in mind the following lawn care and mowing tips:

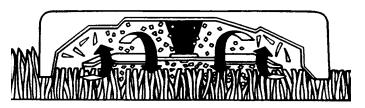
- Too much maintenance is as detrimental to your lawn as neglect.
- Mow when grass is 3-5 inches tall. Don't cut shorter than 2 to 2-1/2 inches. Cut only the top one-third of the grass blade. Cutting below this level can lead to thatch problems. Your mower has a cutting height adjustment that can help you maintain a proper length.
- For extremely tall grass, set the cutting height at maximum for the first pass, and then reset to the desired height and mow again.
- Mow often. Short clippings of an inch or less decompose more quickly than longer blades.
- Keep the blades on your mower sharp for finer clippings.
- Let grass grow a bit longer when it is hot to reduce heat build-up and protect grass from heat damage.
- Use slow-release fertilizer for slow, even growth.
- Don't cover grass surface with a heavy layer of clippings. Consider using a grass collection system and starting a compost pile.
- Aerate lawn in spring, consider renting an aerator which removes cores of soil from the lawn. This increases the speed of clipping decomposition and deep root growth by opening up the soil and permitting greater movement of water, fertilizer and air.
- Don't over-water. Too much water can encourage disease development.
- Mow when the grass is dry, preferably in the late afternoon when the temperatures are cooler.
- Where possible, change patterns occasionally to eliminate matting, graining or a corrugated appearance.
- For wet grasses, grasses prone to wheel tracking and for collecting clippings:
  - a. Use sharp blades.
  - b. Raise deck 1/4" higher in front than in rear.
  - c. Run at maximum engine speed but slow ground speed.
  - d. Clean deck of built-up material/caked-on grass.
  - e. Check for free movement of mower idler pulley.

- For dry conditions where grass blow-out is a problem:
  - a. Use sharp blades.
  - b. Raise deck so the front is even with, or 1/8" lower than, rear.
  - c. Use 3/4 engine speed.
  - d. Clean deck of built-up material/caked-on grass.

## MULCHING MOWER OPERATION (OPTIONAL KIT ATTACHMENT)

## Mulching

Mulching consists of actually cutting and recutting clippings into tiny particles and blowing them into the lawn. These tiny particles decompose rapidly into by-products your lawn can use. Under proper conditions, your mulching mower will virtually eliminate noticeable clippings on the lawn surface.



Keep in mind these mulching tips:

- Use mulching mower or mulcher kit without shredders for grass mulching.
- Install shredders for leaf shredding.
- · Use maximum engine speed.
- Raise height of cut if excessive power is used.
- Must use sharp blades. Do not use lift tabs or high lift blade when mulching.
- Adjust to lower ground speeds in heavy grass or if windrow is present.
- Clean deck of built-up material/caked-on grass.
- Check for free movement of mower idler pulley.

#### **Mowing Conditions**

The best mulching results from mowing when lawn is dry and grass blades are not over 5" long. Follow these guidelines for best results:

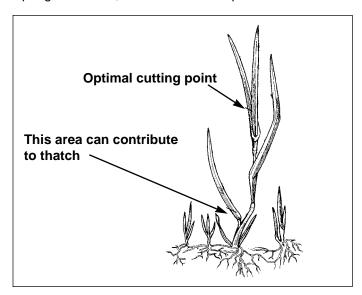
- Do not use the mower as a mulching mower during the first two or three mowings in the spring. The long grass blades, quick growth, and often wetter conditions are more suitable for side-discharge (broadcasting) or grass bagging operation.
- Avoid mulching after rain or heavy dew. It may be better to mow later in the day or early evening when lawn is drier.

## **Mowing Patterns & Tips**.

- Change the mowing pattern each time.
- If mulching baffles are removed, the original deflector must be in operating position for safe side-discharge mowing.

#### **How Much Grass To Cut Off**

Removing too much grass height in one cutting may result in an unsatisfactory cut: windrowing, clumping, or uneven dispersal of clippings may result. It is best to mow when the grass is between 3"- 5" tall, although this will depend on your personal preference for lawn appearance. A good rule to follow is to cut only the top one-third of the grass blade at a time (maximum of 1-1/2"). Cutting more off the grass blade, particularly in wet spring conditions, can lead to thatch problems.



## **Engine Speed & Ground Speed**

Use full engine throttle matched with a slower ground speed so that clippings will be finely cut. A better cut may result from cutting the same area in two passes, each time cutting only 3/4" of grass blade. Short clippings of 1" or less decompose more quickly than longer blades.

NOTE: When mulching under heavy cutting conditions, a rumbling sound may be present and is normal.

## The Proper Equipment

Always keep the mower blades sharp and balanced. Blades should be sharpened at the beginning of every mowing season. If the tips of grass blades brown after cutting, this may be a sign of dull blades tearing, rather than cutting, the grass blades.

Keep the underside of the mower deck and baffles clean so that clippings are properly circulated, chopped, and discharged back into the lawn.

#### The Best Combination

We recommend that you experiment with the height of cut position and tractor ground speed that will give you the best cut. Start with a higher cutting height and try increasing lower settings until you find a cutting height that is matched to your mowing conditions and preferences. Since mulching requires more horsepower than side-discharging, using a slower ground speed is important for proper mulching operation.

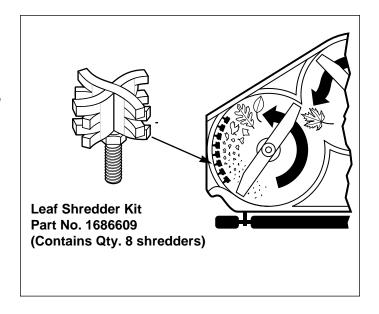
## Clippings Are Beneficial

A common misconception about clippings is that they automatically lead to thatch. However, clippings produced by mulching methods actually contribute to a healthy lawn because they:

- Act as a safe, non-polluting and inexpensive fertilizer that nourishes your lawn. Fresh cut blades are a rich source of nitrogen which is essential to lush growth. And one garbage bag of clippings contains about 1/4 lb. of usable organic nitrogen.
- · Reduce the evaporation of water from your lawn.
- Provide a cushioning layer to reduce lawn wear.
- Moderate soil temperature.
- · Save money normally spent on trash bags.

## Leaf Shredding (For use with Mulcher Kit Only)

Patented Shredder Blades virtually eliminate raking leaves. Up to 512 cutting edges pulverize leaves into tiny particles, which quickly and naturally decompose into food for your lawn. Shredder Blades must be removed when you choose to mulch grass clippings.



### **SCHEDULE**

The following schedule should be followed for normal care of your tractor and mower. You will need to keep a record of your operating time. Determining operating time is easily accomplished by multiplying the time it takes to do one job by the number of times you've done the job, or you can install the optional hour meter.

| Safety Items                                | See<br>Page | Before<br>First Use    | Before<br>Each Use             | Every<br>5 Hours | Every 25<br>Hours | Every 100<br>Hours | Spring<br>& Fall |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Check safety interlock system.              | 9           | •                      |                                |                  |                   |                    | •                |
| Check tractor brakes.                       | 27          | •                      |                                |                  |                   |                    | •                |
| Check mower blade stopping time.            | 29          | <ul><li>Afte</li></ul> | r adjustment                   | or service of    | electric PTO      | clutch ●           |                  |
| Normal Care Items                           |             |                        |                                |                  |                   |                    |                  |
| Check tractor & mower for loose hardware.   | _           | •                      | •                              | •                |                   |                    |                  |
| Check engine oil level.                     | *           | •                      | •                              | •                |                   |                    | •                |
| Check engine & air filter.                  | *           |                        |                                |                  | ***               |                    |                  |
| Change engine oil and filter.**             | *           |                        |                                |                  | ***Ever           | y 50 hrs.          | ***              |
| Lubricate tractor & mower.                  | 18-19       |                        |                                |                  | ***               |                    |                  |
| Check fluid levels & tire pressure          | 17          | •                      | •                              |                  | **•               |                    |                  |
| Change transmission fluid. (Hydro only)**** | _           |                        | Only if transaxle is serviced. |                  |                   |                    |                  |
| Check fuel filter.                          | 19          |                        |                                |                  |                   | •                  |                  |
| Clean battery & cables                      | 19          |                        |                                |                  |                   | •                  |                  |
| Clean/sharpen blades.                       | 20          |                        |                                |                  |                   | •                  |                  |
| Inspect spark plug(s).                      | *           |                        |                                |                  |                   | •                  |                  |

- \* See the engine manufacturer's owner's manual.
- \*\* Change original engine oil after first 5 hours of operation.
- \*\*\* More often in hot (over 85° F: 30° C) weather or dusty operating conditions.
- \*\*\*\* Transaxle is a sealed unit and requires no regular interval fluid changes.

## RAISING THE HOOD

To gain access to the engine compartment, release the rubber strap (D, figure 4) on each side of the hood and raise the hood.



Do not run the engine with the hood raised. Engine heat will cause damage to the headlight bezel and hood.

## CHECKING/ADDING GASOLINE

Check the gas gauge/cap to be sure there is enough gasoline to complete the job. To add gasoline, remove the gas gauge/cap. Do not overfill. Leave room in the tank for fuel expansion. Refer to your engine manual for gasoline recommendations. Install and hand tighten the gas gauge/cap.



Never use gasoline containing METHANOL, gasohol containing more than 10% ethanol, gasoline additives, premium gasoline, or white gas because engine/fuel system damage could result.

## CHECKING TIRE PRESSURE

Front tire pressure should be 12 to 15 psi (82 to 103 kPa). Rear tire pressure should be 6 to 8 psi (41 to 55 kPa).

## CHECKING FUEL FILTER



Do not remove fuel filter when engine is hot, as spilled gasoline may ignite. DO NOT spread hose clamps further than necessary. Ensure clamps grip hoses firmly over filter after installation.

The fuel filter is located in fuel line between fuel tank and carburetor. If filter is dirty or clogged, replace as follows. Place a container below filter to catch spilled gasoline.

- Using a pliers, open and slide hose clamps from fuel filter.
- 2. Remove hoses from filter.
- Install new filter in proper flow direction in fuel line.
   Secure with hose clamps. See warning at beginning of procedure.

## **LUBRICATION**

## **Lubricating the Tractor**

Lubricate the tractor as shown in figures 15 - 20. When a grease gun is shown, wipe the fitting clean, apply two or three shots of lithium base automotive grease, and wipe

off excess grease. When an oil can is shown, wipe the area clean, apply a few drops of oil (SAE 30), then wipe up drips or spills.

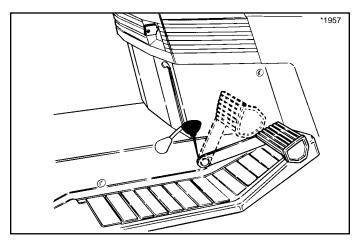


Figure 15. Brake Pedal Pivot Point

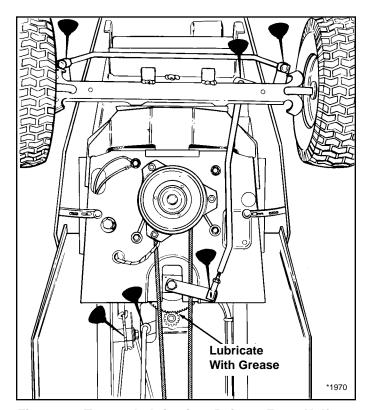


Figure 16. Tractor Lubrication Points - Front Half

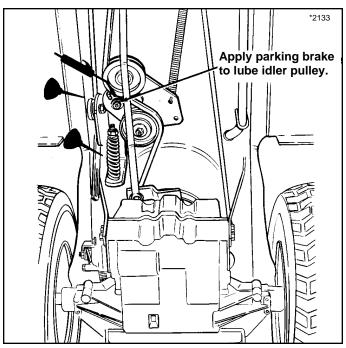


Figure 17. Tractor Lubrication Points - Rear Half (Gear Models)

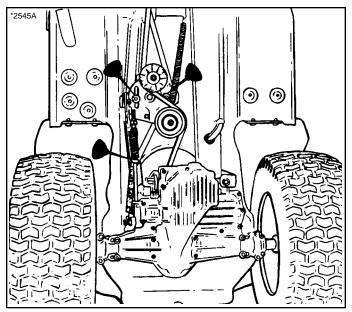


Figure 18 Tractor Lubrication Points - Rear Half (Hydro Models)

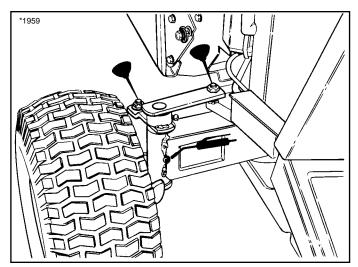


Figure 19. Front Axle Lubrication Points

## **LUBRICATING THE MOWER**

Lubricate the mower as shown in figures 21 & 22. Also lubricate grease fittings on the mower idler pulley and arbors (underneath the mower deck). Use an oil can with medium weight (SAE 30) oil. Brush and wipe dirt and grass from the area before applying oil. Wipe up drips and spills. Keep oil off belts and pulleys.

## **BATTERY MAINTENANCE**

## **Checking the Battery Fluid**

- 1. Raise the hood.
- 2. Remove battery filler cap. Fluid must be even with split ring full mark. If not, add distilled water.
- 3. Reinstall filler cap.

## **A** WARNING

Be careful when handling the battery. Avoid spilling electrolyte. Keep flames and sparks away from the battery.

## **Cleaning the Battery and Cables**

1. Disconnect the cables from the battery, negative cable first (B, figure 23).

## **A** WARNING

When removing or installing battery cables, disconnect the negative cable FIRST and reconnect it LAST. If not done in this order, the positive terminal can be shorted to the frame by a tool.

- 2. Remove the battery clamp, then remove the battery.
- 3. Scrub the battery, cables and battery compartment with baking soda and water.

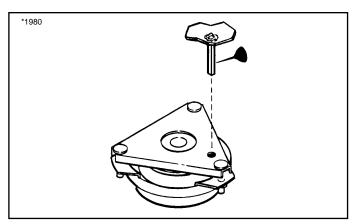


Figure 20. PTO Lubrication

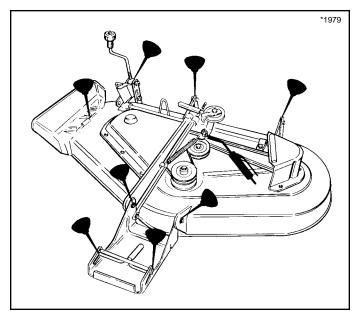


Figure 21. Mower Lubrication Points

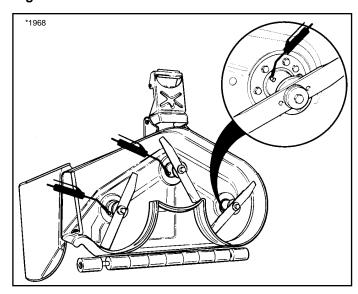


Figure 22. Arbor Lubrication Points

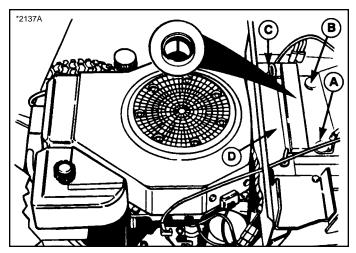


Figure 23. Battery

- A. Positive Battery Terminal C. Hold Down Rod
- B. Negative Battery Terminal D. Battery Clamp
- 4. Clean the battery terminals and cable clamps with a wire brush and battery post terminal cleaner.
- 5. Reinstall battery and clamp.
- 6. Connect cables, positive cable first.
- Coat cable clamps and terminals with grease or petroleum jelly.

## SERVICING THE MOWER BLADES

## **MARNING**

For your personal safety, do not handle the sharp mower blades with bare hands. Careless or improper handling of blades may result in serious injury.

- 1. Remove mower from the tractor.
- 2. Blades should be sharp and free of nicks and dents. If not, sharpen blades as described in following steps.
- 3. To remove blade for sharpening, use wooden block to hold blade while removing the blade mounting capscrew (figure 24).
- Use a file to sharpen blade to fine edge. Remove all nicks and dents in blade edge. If blade is severely damaged, it should be replaced.
- 5. Balance the blade as shown in figure 25. Center the blades' hole on a nail lubricated with a drop of oil. A balanced blade will remain level.
- Reinstall each blade with the tabs pointing up toward deck as shown in figure 26. Secure with a capscrew (D), cup washer (C) and spline washer (B). Use a wooden block to prevent blade rotation and torque capscrews to 50-70 ft.lbs. (67-95 N.m.).

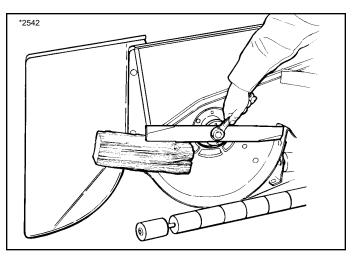


Figure 24. Removing The Blade

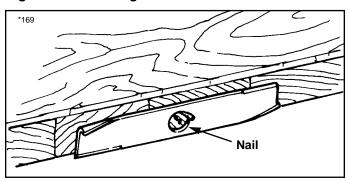


Figure 25. Balancing The Blade

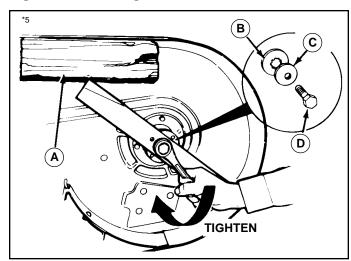


Figure 26. Installing The Blade

- A. Wooden Block
- C. Cup Washer
- B. Spline Washer
- D. Capscrew

## **WARNING**

For your personal safety, blade mounting capscrews must each be installed with a cup washer and spline washer, then securely tightened. Torque blade mounting capscrew to 50-70 ft.lbs. (67-95 N.m.)

## **WARNING**

Never store the tractor, with gasoline in engine or fuel tank, in a heated shelter or in enclosed, poorly ventilated enclosures. Gasoline fumes may reach an open flame, spark or pilot light (such as a furnace, water heater, clothes dryer, etc.) and cause an explosion.

Handle gasoline carefully. It is highly flammable and careless use could result in serious fire damage to your person or property.

Drain fuel into an approved container outdoors away from open flame or sparks.

# TEMPORARY STORAGE (30 Days Or Less)

Remember, the fuel tank will still contain some gasoline, so never store the tractor indoors or in any other area where fuel vapor could travel to any ignition source. Fuel vapor is also toxic if inhaled, so never store the tractor in any structure used for human or animal habitation.

Here is a checklist of things to do when storing your tractor temporarily or in between uses:

- Keep the tractor in an area away from where children may come into contact with it. If there's any chance of unauthorized use, remove the spark plug (s) and put in a safe place. Be sure the spark plug opening is protected from foreign objects with a suitable cover.
- If the tractor can't be stored on a reasonable level surface, chock the wheels.
- · Clean all grass and dirt from the mower.

NOTE: If storing your tractor between winter snow removal jobs in a cold area, we suggest that you fill the fuel tank at the completion of each job to prevent water condensation in the fuel tank. Wait for engine to cool before filling tank.

# LONG TERM STORAGE (Longer Than 30 Days)

Before you store your tractor for the off-season, read the Maintenance and Storage instructions in the Safety Rules section, then perform the following steps:

- Drain crankcase oil while engine is hot and refill with a grade of oil that will be required when tractor is used again.
- 2. Prepare the mower deck for storage as follows:
  - a. Remove mower deck from the tractor.

- b. Clean underside of mower deck.
- c. Coat all bare metal surfaces with paint or light coat of oil to prevent rusting.
- 3. Clean external surfaces and engine.
- Prepare engine for storage. See engine owner's manual.
- 5. Clean any dirt or grass from cylinder head cooling fins, engine housing and air cleaner element.
- Cover air cleaner and exhaust outlet tightly with plastic or other waterproof material to keep out moisture, dirt and insects.
- 7. Completely grease and oil tractor as outlined in the Normal Care section.
- 8. Clean up tractor and apply paint or rust preventative to any areas where paint is chipped or damaged.
- 9. Be sure the battery is filled to the proper level with water and is fully charged. Battery life will be increased if it is removed, put in a cool, dry place and fully charged about once a month. If battery is left in tractor, disconnect the negative cable.
- 10. Drain fuel system completely or add a gasoline stabilizer to the fuel system. If you have chosen to use a fuel stabilizer and have not drained the fuel system, follow all safety instructions and storage precautions in this manual to prevent the possibility of fire from the ignition of gasoline fumes. Remember, gasoline fumes can travel to distant sources of ignition and ignite, causing risk of explosion and fire.

NOTE: Gasoline, if permitted to stand unused for extended periods (30 days or more), may develop gummy deposits which can adversely affect the engine carburetor and cause engine malfunction. To avoid this condition, add a gasoline stabilizer to the fuel tank or drain all fuel from the system before placing unit in storage.

## **Storage**

11. Transport the tractor to a suitable, dry, indoor location. If the tractor is to be stored 6 months or longer, block the tractor up off the wheels to relieve weight and also to keep the tires off a damp floor. Protect tires from prolonged exposure to direct sunlight.

## STARTING AFTER LONG TERM STORAGE

Before starting the tractor after it has been stored for a long period of time, perform the following steps.

1. Remove the blocks from under the tractor.

- 2. Install the battery if it was removed.
- 3. Unplug the exhaust outlet and air cleaner.
- 4. Fill the fuel tank with fresh gasoline. See engine manual for recommendations.
- 5. Check crankcase oil level and add proper oil if necessary.
- 6. Inflate tires to proper pressure. Check fluid levels.
- 7. Start the engine and let it run slowly. DO NOT run at high speed immediately after starting. Be sure to run engine only outdoors or in well ventilated area.

## **GENERAL**

## **WARNING**

To avoid serious injury, perform maintenance on the tractor or mower only when the engine is stopped and the parking brake engaged. Always remove the ignition key, disconnect spark plug wire and fasten away from the plug before beginning the maintenance, to prevent accidental starting of the engine.

This section of the manual provides troubleshooting and repair instructions for the more common and easily corrected problems. For other problems, it is recommended that you contact your dealer. Locate the problem that best describes the trouble that you have encountered. Check the possible causes one at a time, in the order that they are listed.

## TROUBLESHOOTING THE TRACTOR

## Engine will not turnover or start.

- Ground speed control lever not in neutral-start position. Shift into neutral.
- 2. PTO (electric clutch) switch in ON position. Place in OFF position.
- 3. Out of fuel. If engine is hot, allow it to cool, then refill the fuel tank.
- Engine flooded. Push choke knob in (twin cylinder models) or move throttle control out of CHOKE position (single cylinder models).
- 5. Circuit breaker tripped. Wait one minute for automatic reset. Replace if defective (see your dealer).
- 6. Battery terminals require cleaning. See Normal Care section.
- 7. Battery discharged or dead. Recharge or replace.
- 8. Wiring loose or broken. Visually check wiring & replace broken or frayed wires. Tighten loose connections.
- 9. Solenoid or starter motor faulty. Repair or replace.
- Safety interlock switch or module faulty. Replace if needed (see your dealer.)
- 11. Spark plug(s) faulty, fouled or incorrectly gapped. Clean and gap or replace. See engine manual.
- 12. Water in fuel. Drain fuel & refill with fresh fuel.
- 13. Old stale gas. Drain fuel & replace with fresh fuel.
- 14. Foot pedal not depressed.

## Engine starts hard or runs poorly.

1. Fuel mixture too rich. Clean air filter. Check choke

- adjustment (engine speed control). See engine manual.
- 2. Carburetor adjusted incorrectly. See engine manual.
- 3. Spark plug(s) faulty, fouled, or incorrectly gapped. Clean and gap or replace. See engine manual.

## Engine knocks.

- 1. Low oil level. Check/add oil as required.
- 2. Using wrong grade oil. See engine manual.

## Excessive oil consumption.

- 1. Engine running too hot. Clean engine fins, blower screen and air cleaner.
- Using wrong weight oil. See engine manual.
- 3. Too much oil in crankcase. Drain excessive oil.

## Engine exhaust is black.

- 1. Dirty air filter. Clean air filter. See engine manual.
- Check engine speed control adjustment (choke).See engine manual.

## Engine runs, but tractor will not drive.

- Ground speed control lever in neutral. Shift in forward or reverse.
- 2. (Hydro models only) Transmission release lever in "push" position. Move into drive position.
- 3. Belt is broken. See Drive Belt Replacement.
- 4. Drive belt slips. See problem and cause below.
- 5. Brake is not fully released. See Brake Adjustment.

#### Tractor drive belt slips.

- 1. Clutch is out of adjustment. See your dealer.
- 2. Pulleys or belt greasy or oily. Clean as required.
- 3. Belt stretched or worn. Replace with correct belt.
- 4. Idler pulley pivot bracket "frozen" in declutched position. Remove idler pulley, clean and lubricate.

## Brake will not hold.

- 1. Brake is incorrectly adjusted. See Brake Adjustment.
- Internal brake disc on transaxle worn. See your dealer.

## Tractor steers hard or handles poorly.

- Steering linkage is loose. Check and tighten any loose connections. See Steering Gear Adjustment.
- 2. Improper tire inflation. Check and correct.
- 3. Spindle bearings dry. Grease spindles. See Lubricating the Tractor.

## **Troubleshooting & Repair.**

## Drive belt does not stop when clutch/brake pedal depressed.

1. Belt stops or belt tension out of adjustment. See Tractor Drive Belt in Belt Replacement section.

## TROUBLESHOOTING THE MOWER

#### Mower will not raise.

 Lift arms or lift link not properly attached or damaged. Attach or repair.

## Mower cut is uneven.

- 1. Mower not leveled properly. See Mower Adjustment.
- Tractor tires not inflated equally or properly. See Normal Care.

## Mower cut is rough looking.

- Engine speed too slow. Set for three-fourths to full speed.
- 2. Ground speed too fast. Set ground speed control lever at a slower ground speed.
- 3. Blades dull and require sharpening. See Servicing the Mower Blades.
- 4. Mower drive belt slipping. Belt oily or worn. Clean or replace belt as necessary.
- 5. Check PTO (Electric Clutch) Adjustment. Clutch may need to be adjusted.
- Blades not properly fastened to arbors. See Servicing the Mower Blades.

## Engine stalls easily with mower engaged.

- 1. Engine speed too slow. Set for 3/4 to full throttle.
- 2. Ground speed too fast.
- 3. Carburetor not adjusted properly.
- Cutting height set too low when mowing tall grass.
   Cut tall grass at maximum cutting height during first pass.
- 5. Discharge chute jamming with cut grass. Cut grass with discharge pointing toward previously cut area.

#### Excessive mower vibration.

- 1. Blade mounting screws are loose. Tighten to 50-70 ft.lbs. (74 N.m.).
- 2. Mower blades, arbors, or pulleys are bent. Check and replace as necessary.
- Mower blades are out of balance. Remove, sharpen and balance blades. See Servicing the Mower Blades.

4. Belt installed incorrectly. See Belt Replacement.

## Excessive belt breakage.

- 1. Belt tension too tight. Adjust belt tension.
- 2. Bent or rough pulleys. Repair or replace.
- 3. Using incorrect belt. See your dealer.

## Mower drive belt slips or fails to drive.

- Idler pulley spring broken or not properly attached.
   See your dealer.
- 2. Belt stops out of adjustment. Check.
- 3. Mower drive belt broken. Replace.

### CHECKING THE BATTERY

The voltmeter can be used to determine condition of battery. When engine is off, the voltmeter shows battery voltage, which should be 12 volts. When engine is running, the voltmeter shows voltage of charging circuit which normally is 13 to 14 volts.

A dead battery or one too weak to start the engine may not mean the battery needs to be replaced. It may, as an example, mean that the alternator is not charging the battery properly. If there is any doubt about the cause of the problem, see your dealer. If you need to replace the battery, follow the steps under Cleaning the Battery & Cables in the Normal Care Section.

## CHARGING A COMPLETELY DISCHARGED BATTERY

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## WARNING

Do not attempt to charge a frozen battery. Allow the battery to warm to 60° F (15.5° C) before placing on charge.

- Be aware of all the safety precautions you should observe during the charging operation. If you are unfamiliar with the use of a battery charger and hydrometer, have the battery serviced by your dealer.
- Add water sufficient to cover the plate (fill to the proper level near the end of the charge). If the battery is extremely cold, allow it to warm before adding water because the water level will rise as it warms. Also, an extremely cold battery will not accept a normal charge until it becomes warm.
- 3. Always unplug or turn the charger off before attaching or removing the clamp connections.

## **Troubleshooting & Repair**

## **A** WARNING

Keep open flames and sparks away from the battery; the gasses coming from it are highly explosive. Ventilate the battery well during charging.

- 4. Carefully attach the clamps to the battery in proper polarity (usually red to [+] positive and black to [-] negative).
- 5. While charging, periodically measure the temperature of the electrolyte. If the temperature exceeds 125° F (51.6° C), or if violent gassing or spewing of electrolyte occurs, the charging rate must be reduced or temporarily halted to prevent battery damage.
- 6. Charge the battery until fully charged (i.e. until the specific gravity of the electrolyte is 1.250 or higher and the electrolyte temperature is at least 60° F). The best method of making certain a battery is fully charged, but not over charged, is to measure the specific gravity of a cell once per hour. The battery is fully charged when the cells are gassing freely at low charging rate and less than 0.003 change in specific gravity occurs over a three hour period.

## JUMP STARTING WITH AUXILIARY (BOOSTER) BATTERY

## **WARNING**

For your personal safety, use extreme care when jump starting. Never expose battery to open flame or electric spark – battery action generates hydrogen gas which is flammable and explosive. Do not allow battery acid to contact skin, eyes, fabrics, or painted surfaces. Batteries contain a sulfuric acid solution which can cause serious personal injury or property damage.

Jump starting is not recommended. However, if it must be done, follow these directions. Both booster and discharged batteries should be treated carefully when using jumper cables. Follow the steps below EXACTLY, being careful not to cause sparks. Refer to figure 27.

- 1. Both batteries must be of the same voltage (6, 12, etc.).
- Position the vehicle with the booster battery adjacent to the vehicle with the discharged battery so that booster cables can be connected easily to the batteries in both vehicles. Make certain vehicles do not touch each other.

- Wear safety glasses and shield eyes and face from batteries at all times. Be sure vent caps are tight. Place damp cloth over vent caps on both batteries.
- 4. Connect positive (+) cable to positive post of discharged battery (wired to starter or solenoid).
- 5. Connect the other end of same cable to same post marked positive (+) on booster battery.
- 6. Connect the second cable negative (-) to other post of booster battery.
- 7. Make final connection on engine block of stalled vehicle away from battery. Do not lean over batteries.
- 8. Start the engine of the vehicle with the booster battery. Wait a few minutes, then attempt to start the engine of the vehicle with the discharged battery.
- If the vehicle does not start after cranking for thirty seconds, STOP PROCEDURE. More than thirty seconds seldom starts the engine unless some mechanical adjustment is made.
- 10. After starting, allow the engine to return to idle speed. Remove the cable connection at the engine or frame. Then remove the other end of the same cable from the booster battery.
- Remove the other cable by disconnecting at the discharged battery first and then disconnect the opposite end from the booster battery.
- 12. Discard the damp cloths that were placed over the battery vent caps.

## **WARNING**

To avoid engine damage, do not disconnect battery while engine is running. Be sure terminal connections are tight before starting.

## **MARNING**

Any procedure other than the preceding could result in: (1) personal injury caused by electrolyte squirting out the battery vents, (2) personal injury or property damage due to battery explosion, (3) damage to the charging system of the booster vehicle or of the immobilized vehicle.

Do not attempt to jump start a vehicle having a frozen battery because the battery may rupture or explode. If a frozen battery is suspected, examine all fill vents on the battery. If ice can be seen or if the electrolyte fluid cannot be seen, do not attempt to start with jumper cables as long as the battery remains frozen.

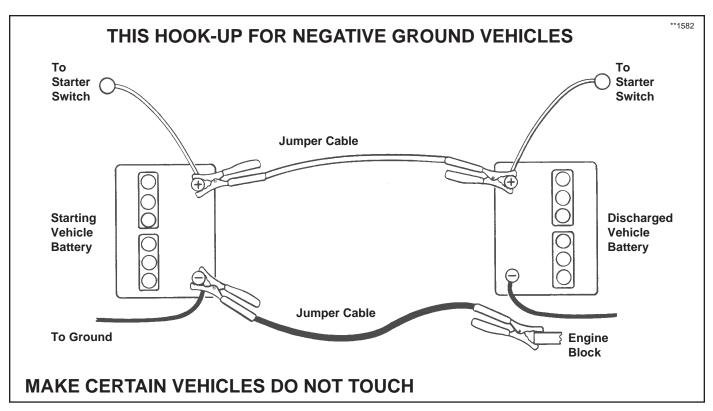


Figure 27. Battery Jump Starting Diagram

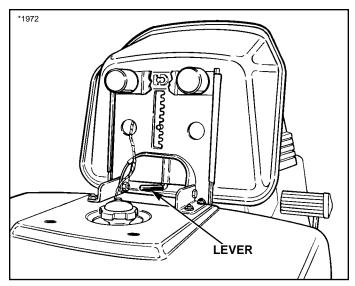


Figure 28. Seat Adjustment

## WARNING

To avoid serious injury, perform adjustments only with engine stopped, key removed and tractor on level ground.

## **SEAT ADJUSTMENT**

See figure 28. Use the lever to adjust the seat forward or rearward for best rider comfort.

## **BRAKE ADJUSTMENT - GEAR MODELS**

- 1. Place the transmission in gear and release the parking brake.
- 2. See figure 29. Move the brake rod (A) back and forth to be sure there is no tension on the brake pads.
- 3. Push the cam lever (B) forward (toward front of tractor) to take out any slack. The gap between lever (B) and stop (C) should be 1/8". Use a feeler gauge to measure. if adjustment is required, proceed to step 4.
- 4. Loosen or tighten the adjustment nut (D) to obtain the correct dimension.
- 5. Fully depress the clutch/brake pedal and lock the parking brake by pulling up on the parking brake knob (K, figure 2).
- 6. The brake rod spring should measure 2-7/8" when compressed. Turn the adjustment nut (E) as necessary to obtain correct spring length.

## **BRAKE ADJUSTMENT - HYDRO MODELS**

1. See figure 30. With parking brake released, rotate the brake cam (A) forward until it stops. There should be 5/16" gap between rear point of brake cam (A) and transaxle housing (B).

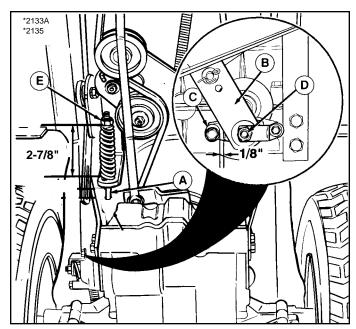


Figure 29. Brake Adjustment - Gear Models

- A. Brake Rod
- D. Adjustment Nut
- B. Brake Cam Lever
- E. Spring Adjustment Nut

C. Stop

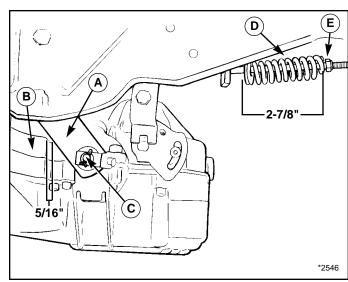


Figure 30. Brake Adjustment - Hydro Models A. Brake Cam

- **B. Transaxle Housing**
- D. Brake Rod Spring
- C. Adjusting Nut
- E. Adjustment Nut
- 2. If adjustment is required, remove cotter pin and turn adjusting nut (C) until proper 5/16" clearance is achieved. Turning the nut in will decrease clearance and turning the nut out will increase clearance. Install cotter pin after adjustment.
- 3. Fully depress the clutch/brake pedal and lock the parking brake by pulling up on the parking brake knob (K, figure 2).

 The brake rod spring (D) should measure 2-7/8" when compressed. Turn the adjustment nut (E) as necessary to obtain correct spring length.

## **NEUTRAL ADJUSTMENT-GEAR MODELS**

If the tractor is in gear with the transmission control speed lever positioned in the neutral gate, perform the following adjustment.

- 1. Raise the rear of the tractor off ground with suitable hoist or floor jack. Install jackstands underneath transaxle and block the front wheels.
- Start the engine and use the ground speed control lever to find neutral, even if control lever is not in the neutral gate. Shut off engine.
- 3. See figure 31. Loosen the nut so that the transmission control rod is free to move.
- 4. Shift the transmission control lever firmly into the neutral gate on the dashboard. Retighten nut.
- 5. Remove tractor from jackstands or jack.

## PTO (ELECTRIC CLUTCH) ADJUSTMENT

- 1. Make sure engine is off and key removed.
- 2. Use a 0.010 0.012 feeler gauge to check the PTO at three places. See figure 32. Insert the gauge between the drive spring rivets. There should be a slight resistance as gauge is moved in and out of slot. If adjustment is required, proceed to step 3.
- Loosen or tighten one of the nuts as required to obtain the specified clearance. Loosen the nuts to increase the gap, tighten the nuts to decrease the gap.
- 4. After adjusting one nut, check the other two with a feeler gauge. Adjustment at one location will change the measurement at the other two locations. Make sure all three locations have proper adjustment.
- 5. Perform Blade Brake Adjustment. See procedure on page 29.

#### STEERING GEAR ADJUSTMENT

If there is excessive slack in the steering system, the steering gear back lash can be removed.

- 1. See figure 33. Loosen the two capscrews and adjust the bracket so the gear teeth are closely meshed.
- 2. Tighten nuts after adjustment.

## STEERING WHEEL ADJUSTMENT

1. Use a suitable drift to remove the roll pin at the base of the steering wheel.

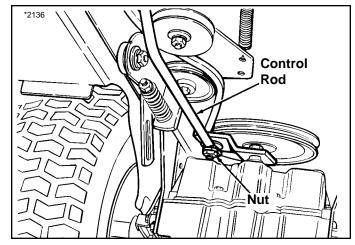


Figure 31. Neutral Adjustment - Gear Models

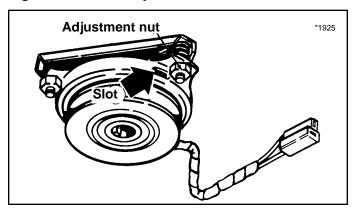


Figure 32. PTO Clutch Adjustment

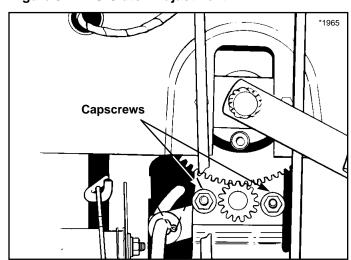


Figure 33. Steering Gear Adjustment

- 2. Pull down on the rubber boot to expose the two holes in the steering shaft (M, figure 2).
- 3. Align the hole in the steering wheel with the appropriate steering shaft hole and install the roll pin.

NOTE: Steering wheel is factory installed with the roll pin in the bottom hole.

### MOWER ADJUSTMENT

## **A** WARNING

Before checking mower, shut off PTO and engine. Allow all moving parts to stop. Remove ignition key, then disconnect the spark plug wire and fasten it away from the spark plug.

## **Leveling The Mower**

If the cut is uneven, the mower may need leveling. Unequal or improper tire pressure may also cause an uneven cut. Make sure tire pressure is correct as specified in Checking Tire Pressure.

- 1. With the mower installed, place the tractor on a smooth, level surface such as a concrete floor. Turn the front wheels straight forward.
- 2. Check for bent blades and replace if necessary.
- 3. Disengage the PTO. Place the mower in mid-cut position. Arrange the mower blades so that they are pointing from side-to-side.
- 4. Measure the distance between the outside tips of each blade and the ground. If there is more than 1/8" (3mm) difference between the measurements on each side, proceed to step 5. If the difference is 1/8" (3mm) or less, proceed to step 6.
- See figure 34. Loosen the outside nut (A). Turn the
  eccentric nut (B) to raise or lower left-hand side of
  mower. When mower is level, hold the eccentric nut
  while tightening the outside nut.

NOTE: When using a turbo collection system, raise the discharge side of the mower approximately 1/4" to compensate for turbo assembly weight. Check the level of the cut grass and adjust the 1/4" measurement as necessary for a smooth, even cut.

- 6. Disengage the mower PTO. Arrange the blades so they face front-to-back, then engage the PTO.
- 7. On 38" deck, measure the distance from the ground to front tip of the left and right-hand blades.
  On 44" deck, measure the distance from the ground to the front tip of the center blade, and from the ground to rear tips of left-hand and right-hand blades.
  Front tips on either deck should be 1/4" higher. If not, proceed with steps 8 10.
- 8. See figure 35. To raise front of mower deck, loosen front nut (A) and turn rear nut (B) against bracket (C).
- 9. To lower front of mower deck, loosen rear nut (B) and bracket (C) will move backwards to lengthen rod.
- 10. Re-check measurement before tightening front nut(A) against bracket.

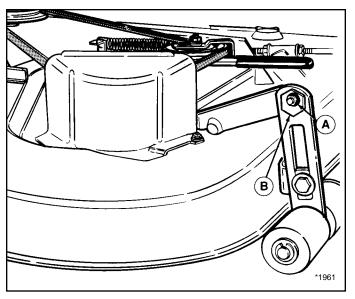


Figure 34. Leveling The Mower Side-to-Side
A. Outside Nut
B. Eccentric Nut

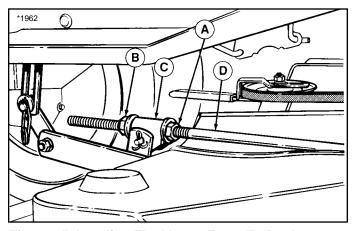


Figure 35. Leveling The Mower Front-To-Back
A. Front Nut
C. Mower Bracket
B. Rear Nut
D. Adjustment Rod

## **Blade Brake Adjustment**

Mower blades and mower drive belt should come to a complete stop within five seconds after electric PTO switch is turned off.

- 1. With tractor in neutral, PTO disengaged and operator in seat, start the tractor engine.
- Look over the left-hand footrest at the mower drive belt. Engage the PTO and wait several seconds.
   Disengage the PTO and check the amount of time it takes for the mower drive belt to stop.
- 3. If mower drive belt does not stop within five seconds, perform the steps described under PTO (Electric Clutch) Adjustment. Repeat steps 1 and 2. If belt still does not stop within 5 seconds, see your dealer.

## A CAUTION

To avoid damaging belts, do not pry belts over pulleys.

## TRACTOR DRIVE BELT - GEAR MODELS

- 1. Park the tractor on a smooth, level surface such as a concrete floor. Disengage the PTO, turn off the engine and lock the parking brake. Remove the key.
- 2. Remove the mower as described under Mower Removal in the Operation section.
- 3. See figure 35. To remove the belt from the idler pulley (A), loosen flange whiz nuts (B). Slip belt from between belt stop (C) and idler bracket.
- 4. Release the parking brake. Rotate idler pulley to relieve spring tension and remove spring (D, figure 35).
- 5. See figure 36. To remove belt from engine pulley, the PTO (electric clutch) must be removed and the belt slid over the top of the pulley. Disconnect the PTO wire. Remove the capscrew (A) along with the hex washer and lockwasher securing the PTO to the engine crankshaft. Slide belt over the top of the engine pulley.
- 6. See figure 36. Install new belt over engine pulley before re-installing the electric clutch. Install hex washer, lockwasher and capscrew (A). Lubricate weld tab on underside of tractor (D). Make sure tab is aligned with hole in top of electric clutch, then tighten capscrew to 45-50 ft. lbs.

NOTE: Check capscrew torque after 1 hour of operation.

- 7. See figure 36. On left-hand side of tractor, remove nut from capscrew (E) securing drag link (B) to steering arm (C). Drop old belt below drag link. Route new belt above drag link before re-installing nut on drag link, then tighten nut.
- 8. See figure 37. Slip belt from the transaxle and idler pulleys. Loosen the belt stops on the idler pulley as necessary. Remove belt from the tractor.
- 9. Install new belt to the transaxle and idler pulleys as shown in figure 37. Adjust belt stops to 1/16" - 1/8" from belt.
- 10. Re-install idler pulley spring (D, figure 35) to frame with new belt routed between spring and bottom of frame.
- 11. Lock parking brake to position idler pulley bracket. Install new belt to the idler pulleys as shown in figure 35. Make sure belt is properly routed on flat and Vsided pulleys. Refer to figure 37 for proper routing. Tighten nuts (B, figure 35) securing pulleys.

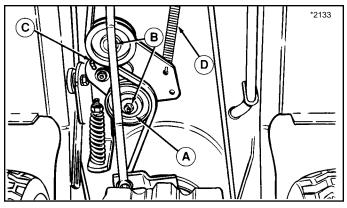


Figure 35. Drive Belt Idler Pulley - Gear Models

- A. Idler Pulley
- C. Belt Stop
- Flange Whiz Nuts
- D. Spring

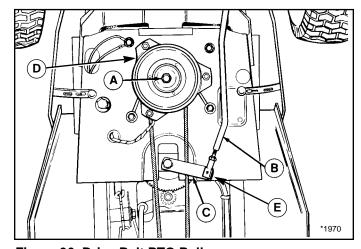


Figure 36. Drive Belt PTO Pulley

- A. Capscrew, PTO
- D. Weld Tab Location
- B. Drag Link
- E. Capscrew
- C. Steering Arm

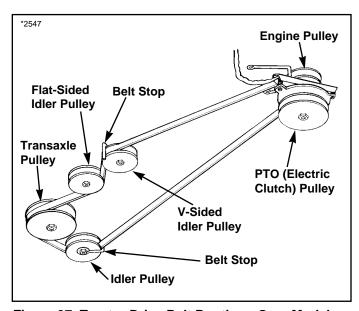


Figure 37. Tractor Drive Belt Routing - Gear Models

- 12. See figure 37. Check belt routing around engine pulley, idler pulleys, and transaxle pulley. Check that the electric clutch, drag link and idler pulley spring are all correctly installed.
- 13. Start tractor engine and check operation of belt by placing transmission lever in gear and engaging/disengaging the clutch/brake pedal.

## TRACTOR DRIVE BELT - HYDRO MODELS

- 1. Park the tractor on a smooth, level surface such as a concrete floor. Disengage the PTO, turn off the engine and lock the parking brake. Remove the key.
- 2. Remove the mower as described under Mower Removal in the Operation section.
- See figure 38. To remove the belt from the idler pulley
   (A), loosen flange whiz nuts (B). Slip belt from between belt stop (C) and idler bracket.
- 4. Release the parking brake. Rotate idler pulley to relieve spring tension and remove spring (D, figure 38)
- 5. See figure 36. To remove belt from engine pulley, the PTO (electric clutch) must be removed and the belt slid over the top of the pulley. Disconnect the PTO wire. Remove the capscrew (A) along with the hex washer and lockwasher securing the PTO to the engine crankshaft. Slide belt over the top of the engine pulley.
- 6. See figure 36. Install new belt over engine pulley before re-installing the electric clutch. Install hex washer, lockwasher and capscrew (A). Lubricate weld tab on underside of tractor (D). Make sure tab is aligned with hole in top of electric clutch, then tighten capscrew to 45-50 ft. lbs. Reconnect the clutch wire.

NOTE: Check capscrew torque after 1 hour of operation.

- See figure 36. On left-hand side of tractor, remove nut securing drag link (B) to steering arm (C). Drop old belt below drag link. Route new belt above drag link before re-installing nut on drag link, then tighten nut.
- 8. Turn the transaxle cooling fan counterclockwise to slip belt through fan blade and slip belt from the transaxle pulley and tractor (figure 39).
- 9. Install new belt to the transaxle pulley by turning cooling fan clockwise.
- 10. Install idler pulley spring (D, figure 38) to frame with new belt routed between spring and bottom of frame.
- 11. Lock parking brake to position idler pulley bracket. Install new belt to the idler pulleys as shown in figure 38. Make sure belt is properly routed on flat and Vsided pulleys. Refer to figure 39 for proper routing. Tighten nuts (B, figure 38) securing pulleys.

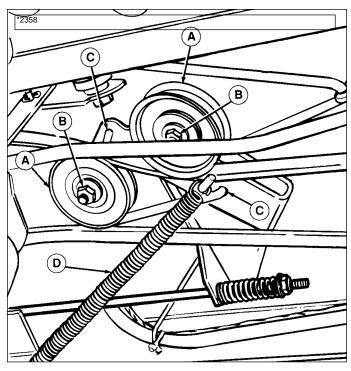


Figure 38. Drive Belt Idler Pulley - Hydro Models

- A. Idler Pulley
- C. Belt Stops
- B. Flange Whiz Nuts
- D. Spring

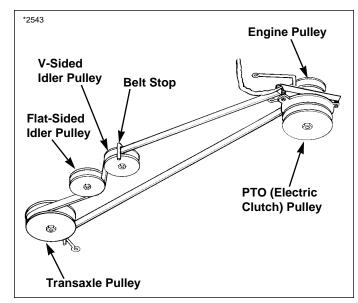


Figure 39. Tractor Drive Belt Routing - Hydro Models

- See figure 39. Check belt routing around engine pulley, idler pulleys, and transaxle pulley. Check that the PTO, drag link and idler pulley spring are all correctly installed.
- 13. Start tractor engine and check operation of belt by placing ground speed control lever in a forward speed and engaging/disengaging the clutch/brake pedal.

## **MOWER DECK-TO-PTO BELT**

NOTE: It is not necessary to remove the mower to install a new belt. However, for easier access mower can be removed. See Mower Removal in the Operation section.

- 1. Park the tractor on a smooth, level surface such as a concrete floor. Disengage the PTO, turn off the engine and lock the parking brake. Remove the key.
- 2. If mower is not removed, place the mower in the lowest cutting position.
- 3. Push the idler arm (A, figure 40 or 41) away from you to relieve belt tension. Drop belt from the PTO (electric clutch) pulley.
- 4. For 38" mower deck, loosen bracket belt stop (C, figure 40) on idler pulley.
  - For 44" mower deck, loosen nut and lockwasher securing bracket belt stop (C, figure 41) on idler pulley. Remove three capscrews securing left-hand arbor cover (D, figure 42).
- 5. Remove old belt and replace with new belt. Make sure V-side of belt runs in arbor pulley grooves.
- 6. Position the bracket belt stop (C, figure 40 or 41) up against arm (A) so that there is a 1/8" gap between pulley and belt stop.
- On 38" mower deck, tighten the belt stops (D, figure 40) on arbor drive pulleys with 1/8" gap between stops and pulleys.
- Install mower on tractor if it was removed. See Operation section, Mower Installation. Install belt to PTO pulley.
- Run the mower under no-load condition for about 5 minutes. Check blade brake adjustment after 1 hour of operation.

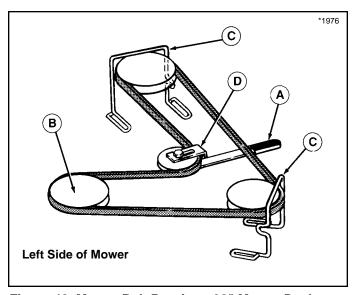


Figure 40. Mower Belt Routing - 38" Mower Deck
A. Idler Pulley Arm C. Bracket Belt Stop
B. PTO Pulley D. Belt Stops

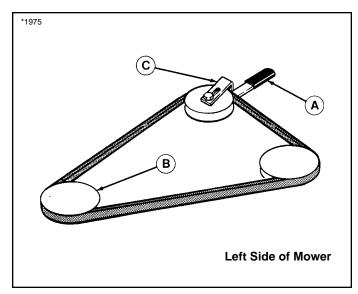


Figure 41. Mower Belt Routing - 44" Mower Deck
A. Idler Pulley Arm C. Bracket Belt Stop
B. PTO Pulley

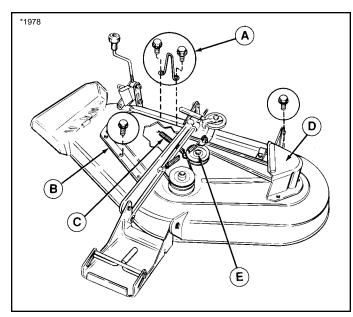


Figure 42. Mower Deck - 44"

- A. Upstop
- B. Right-hand Arbor Cover
- C. Spring
- D. Left-hand Arbor Cover
- E. Capscrew

## **MOWER ARBOR BELT - 44" DECK**

- Park the tractor on a smooth, level surface such as a concrete floor. Disengage the PTO, turn off the engine and lock the parking brake. Remove the key.
- 2. Remove the mower from the tractor. See Mower Removal in the Operation section.
- 3. See figure 42. Remove the two capscrews securing upstop (A) and remove the upstop.

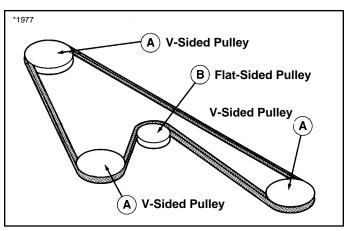


Figure 43. Mower Deck Drive Belt Routing - 44" Deck

- A. Arbor Drive Pulley (V-sided)
- B. Idler Pulley (Flat-sided)
- Remove four additional capscrews securing righthand arbor cover (B). Remove three capscrews securing left-hand arbor cover (D).
- 5. Using a vise-grip or pliers, remove idler pulley spring (C) from slot in deck.
- Loosen capscrew (E) securing idler pulley to bracket.
   Belt can be slipped between pulley and idler bracket hub.
- 7. Install new belt as shown in figure 43. Make sure that V-side of belt runs in arbor pulley grooves and flat side of belt runs against idler pulley.
- 8. Install spring (C, figure 42) to slot in mower deck. Tighten capscrew securing idler pulley.
- 9. Install left and right arbor covers and upstop using original hardware.
- 10. Install mower to tractor.

NOTE: Specifications are correct at time of printing and are subject to change without notice.

### **ENGINE**

## 14 HP & 16 HP Briggs & Stratton

MakeBriggs & StrattonModelVanguard V-TwinHorsepower14 & 16 HP @ 3600 rpm

Cylinders 2

 Bore
 2.68 ln. (68 mm)

 Stroke
 2.60 ln. (66 mm)

 Displacement
 29.3 Cu. ln. (480 cc)

Construction Overhead Valve, Cast Iron Sleeves,

Aluminum Crankcase

Electrical 12 Volt, 16 Amp Alternator Regulated Battery:
System 340 Cold Cranking Amps, 41 min. Reserve
Capacity, Industrial Rated Starter Motor

Ignition Magnetron Electronic Ignition

Air Cleaner Ducted Paper Cartridge and Foam

Precleaner large 325 sq. in. Air Filtering System

**Lubrication** Full Pressure Lube w/ Oil Filter **Oil Capacity** 3.5 Pints w/Filter (1.6 L)

Fuel Tank Material: Non-Corrosive Polyethylene

Fuel Tank Gauge Built Into Filler Cap

Capacity: 4 Gallons (15.1 L)

Muffler Quiet Compact, Low Back Pressure

## 14 HP & 15 HP Kohler

MakeKohlerModelCommand™

Horsepower 14 HP @ 3600 rpm (10.4 kw)

Cylinder 1

Ignition

 Bore
 3.43 ln. (87 mm)

 Stroke
 2.64 ln. (73 mm)

 Displacement
 24.3 Cu. ln. (398 cc)

Construction Overhead Valve, Cast Iron Sleeves,

Aluminum Crankcase

Electrical 12 Volt, 15 Amp Alternator Regulated System Battery: 12 Volt, 340 Cold Cranking Amps,

41 min. Reserve Capacity
High Energy Electronic Ignition

Air Cleaner Ducted Paper Cartridge and Foam Precleaner

**Lubrication** Full Pressure Lube w/Oil Filter **Oil Capacity** 4.0 Pints w/Filter (1.9 L)

**Fuel Tank** Material: Non-Corrosive Polyethylene.

Fuel Tank Gauge Built Into Filler Cap

Capacity: 4 Gallons (15.1 L)

Muffler Quiet Compact, Low Back Pressure

## 15 HP Briggs & Stratton

Make Briggs & Stratton
Model Vanguard

Horsepower 15 HP @ 3600 rpm

Cylinders 1

 Bore
 3.44 ln. (87.3 mm)

 Stroke
 3.06 ln. (77.7 mm)

 Displacement
 29.3 Cu. ln. (480 cc)

**Construction** Overhead Valve, Cast Iron Sleeves.

Aluminum Crankcase

**Electrical** 12 Volt, 9 Amp Alternator Regulated Battery: **System** 340 Cold Cranking Amps, 41 min. Reserve

Capacity, Industrial Rated Starter Motor

IgnitionMagnetron Electronic IgnitionAir CleanerDucted Paper Cartridge and Foam

Precleaner large 325 sq. in. Air Filtering System

**Lubrication** Splash Lube Circulating Pump & Filter

Oil Capacity 3.5 Pints w/Filter (1.6 L)

Fuel Tank Material: Non-Corrosive Polyethylene

Fuel Tank Gauge Built Into Filler Cap

Capacity: 4 Gallons (15.1 L)

Muffler Quiet Compact, Low Back Pressure

## **TRANSMISSION**

#### **Gear Models**

**Type** Spur Gear

Material Gear: Heat Treated

Shaft: Hardened and Ground Bearings: Needle Roller, Sealed Ball

and Bushings

**Lubrication** Bentonite Grease

 Speeds
 Five Forward, One Reverse

 Speeds
 Ist:
 1.1 MPH (1.8 km/h)

 @ 3400 RPM
 2nd:
 2.2 MPH (3.5 km/h)

 3rd:
 3.4 MPH (5.5 km/h)

 4th:
 4.2 MPH (6.8 km/h)

 5th:
 5.1 MPH (8.2 km/h)

 Reverse:
 2.4 MPH (3.9 km/h)

**Differential** Spur Gear Type

#### **Hydro Models**

**Type** Hydrostatic

Pump Variable Displacement Piston

Motor Fixed Displacement Piston

Hydraulic Fluid 3.5 Quarts (3.3 L) SAE 20W-50 Premium

**Control** Single Lever, Release

Lever for Manual Tractor Movement, Continuously Variable, Forward & Reverse,

without Braking

**Speeds** Forward: 0 - 5.5 MPH (0 - 8 km/h) @**3400 RPM** Reverse: 0 - 3.5 MPH (0 - 5.6 km/h)

**Differential** Automotive Type

## **CONTROLS**

Steering Full Circle Steering Wheel

System Gear and Sector

Clutch/ Location Right Front

Brake Pedal Combination Clutch/Brake/Parking Brake

Pedal Standard Equipment

**Location** Mower Lift Lever Right Side, Lower

**Dash Tower** 

PTO Clutch Electric, Dash Mounted Ground Speed Lever Dash Mounted Ignition Key Switch on dash panel

Throttle Lever and Choke Lever on dash panel

Light Switch on dash panel Separate Indicator Lights for Safety Interlock Switch Operator Present, Transmission Neutral, PTO Disengaged,

Clutch/Brake Pedal Depressed Low Oil Pressure Warning Light

## **CHASSIS**

Frame Heavy Gauge Steel Channel

Power Take-Off Point Front Engine Mounting Above Front Axle Pivot Point Location Front Axle

**Rear Wheels** Tire Size 20 x 8.00-8 Turf Type

Pneumatic Inflation Pressure 6-8 psi (41-55 kPa)

Front Wheels Tire Size 15 x 6.00-6

Pneumatic Inflation Pressure 12-15 psi

(82-103 kPa)

Front Axle 1-3/4" x 3" 12 Ga. Fabricated Rectangular Tube

Accessibility Hood Tips Forward

**Seat** Type Bucket, High Back, Adjustable w/

Spring Suspension

Adjustable to Suit Different Size Operators

Turning Radius Inside Rear Tire 16 In. (40.6 cm)

## **DIMENSIONS**

#### **Tractor**

Overall Length 67 In. (170.2 cm)
Overall Width 35 In. (88.9 cm)

**Height** To Top of Steering Wheel 40 In. (1016 cm)

To Top of Engine Cover 34 In. (86.7 cm)

Wheel Base 48 In. (121.9 cm)
Weight (approx.) Net: 455 lbs. (206 kg)
without mower Shipping: 575 lbs. (261 kg)

### Mower - 38" Deck

Effective Cutting 38 In. (96.5 cm)

Width

**Overall Width** 49.5 ln. (125.7 cm)

with Deflector

**Weight** 100 lbs. (45 kg)

**Variable Cutting Ht.** 10 - 3.6 ln (2.5 to 9.1 cm)

Blade Arrangement Two Blades

Mower Drive V-Belt From Tractor PTO Pulley
Spindle Bearings Lubricated and Sealed Ball Bearings

## Mower - 44" Deck

Effective Cutting 44 In. (1118 cm)

Width

Overall Width 56 In. (142.2 cm)

with Deflector

**Weight** 115 lbs. (52 kg)

Variable Cutting Ht. 1- 3.6 ln. (2.5 to 91 cm)

Blade Arrangement Three Staggered Blades

Mower Drive V-Belt From Tractor PTO Pulley
Spindle Bearings Lubricated and Sealed Ball Bearings

## **COMMON REPLACEMENT PARTS**

Listed below are the more common replacement parts. Only genuine factory replacement parts will assure optimum performance and safety. Do not attempt repairs or maintenance unless proper procedures and safety precautions are followed. For assistance in any area, see your dealer.

## **Replacement Parts**

|      |                               | -SAE 30 SG/CC (Warm weather 32° & up) | 1685659                                                          |         |
|------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| QTY. | DESCRIPTION                   | PART NO.                              | Touch-Up Paint                                                   |         |
|      | Mower Blades                  |                                       | Deep Orange Spray Paint, 13 oz. Can                              | 1685611 |
| 1    | - 38" Mower, R.H.             | 1704101                               | Deep Orange Spray Paint                                          |         |
| 1    | - 38" Mower, L.H.             | 1704856                               | (Case of 12 -13 oz. Cans)                                        | 1685614 |
| 3    | - 44" Standard Lift           | 1704100                               | Deep Orange Paint, 1 qt.                                         | 1685612 |
| 3    | - 44" High Lift (Optional)    | 1704856                               | White Spray Paint, 13 oz. Can                                    | 103049  |
|      | Mower Belts                   |                                       | <ul> <li>Touch-Up Daubers</li> </ul>                             |         |
| 1    | - 38" Mower Drive             | 1666698                               | Deep Orange 1/2 oz. w/Brush Cap                                  | 1685615 |
| 1    | - 44" Mower Drive             | 1601672                               | <ul> <li>Grease Gun Kit w/8 oz. Grease Tube</li> </ul>           | 1685510 |
| 1    | - 44" Arbor Drive             | 1607813                               | Replacement 8 oz. Grease Tube for above                          | 103077  |
|      | Tractor Drive Belt            |                                       | <ul> <li>Tire Sealant-Stops Tire Leaks. Prevents Fla</li> </ul>  | ts.     |
| 1    | - Gear                        | 1657044                               | 11 oz. Tube                                                      | 1685523 |
| 1    | - Hydro                       | 1672135                               | <ul> <li>Gas Can-No Tip Design. Durable Polyethylene.</li> </ul> |         |
| 1    | Safety Clip - Mower Lift      | 176012                                | 1 gallon                                                         | 1685587 |
| 1    | Key, Ignition                 | 1704348                               | 2-1/2 gallon                                                     | 1685555 |
| 2    | Interlock Switch, Neutral     | 1701521                               | 5-1/4 gallon                                                     | 1685556 |
| 1    | Interlock Switch, Seat        | 1704379                               | <ul> <li>Cleaner, Polish, Sealant &amp; Protectant</li> </ul>    |         |
| 1    | Battery                       | 1685215                               | 8 oz. Bottle                                                     | 1685696 |
| 1    | Solenoid                      | 1685290                               | <ul> <li>Degrimer/Degreaser</li> </ul>                           |         |
| 1    | Switch, PTO (Electric Clutch) | 1713487                               | 32 oz. Bottle w/Trigger Spray                                    | 1685619 |
| 1    | Headlamp Bulb                 | 1677371                               | 1 gallon                                                         | 1685621 |
|      | •                             |                                       |                                                                  |         |

**Maintenance Items** 

• Simplicity Engine Oils

Case of 12 qts. (Your dealer has 1 qt. cans) -SAE 5W-30 SF/CD (Cold Weather 30° & under)

PART NO.

1685576

**DESCRIPTION** 

USE ONLY GENUINE
FACTORY REPLACEMENT PARTS
Available Through Your Local
Authorized Dealer.

## **OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES**

See your dealer to purchase these items.

Turbo Clean Sweep Twin Catcher

Clean Sweep Twin Catcher

Turbo Quad Bagger™

Dethatcher

**Dump Cart** 

36", 40" & 42" Snowthrower

42" Dozer Blade

Snow Cab

Front Counterweights

Rear Wheel Weights

Weight/Tote Box

Hubcaps

Tire Chains

Leaf Shredder Kit

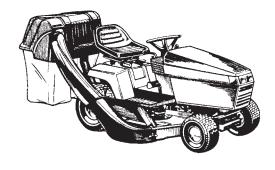


**42" Snow Plow/Dozer Blade**For snow removal and light dozing of dirt, gravel, etc. Now with spring-assisted lift.

#### 36" & 42" Snowthrower

Efficient single stage operation to handle the heaviest of snows. Now with spring assisted lift.





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## **TECHNICAL LITERATURE**

Manuals are fully illustrated. All of the assemblies are shown in exploded views which show the relationship of the parts and how they go together. Important assembly notes and special torque values are included in the illustrations. Standard hardware and torque specification charts are also included.

For the manuals applicable for your model, contact the Customer Publications Department at 414-284-8519. Have the following information available when phoning in your request.

| Model:                |              |
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| City, State, Zip:     |              |
| Visa/Mastercard No.:  | ( Master Car |
| Card Expiration Date: |              |

## International Symbols\_



Fast



Liahts



Parking Brake



Slow



Oil Pressure



Choke



Operator Present Switch (Seat)



**Forward** 



**Engine Running** 



**PTO Engaged** 



Reverse